

Grand Jurors Association of Orange County

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 2nd, 2017

Call to Order: President Roy Baker called the meeting to order at 1000.

Absent: Robert Breton. Nine (9) Board Members present for a Quorum. Former Board Member Bill Underwood present to report on the OCTA/TOC Measure M 2017 process.

Minutes: Mike Morris moved and Alf Lyle 2nd that the January 5th, 2017 board minutes be approved. So approved.

Vacant Board Positions: Two Board of Directors positions remain vacant and are a priority to fill. Also vacant are the First V.P. and Parliamentarian positions. Virginia Zlakets, Peter Hersh, and John Gallie were contacted but not available at this time. Mike to do a web page blast and Roy requested a flyer on the March 2nd luncheon tables announcing the vacancies. Suggested that we use the OC Register and The Voice of OC to get the word out.

March 2nd Luncheon: Roy and Alf to call prospective speakers for the upcoming luncheon as well as a prospective speakers list. Sandy Duncan, Speakers Bureau chair to assist. Prospective speakers listed are Shirley Grindle, Eric Woolery, OC Auditor-Controller, Brian Talle (OC Register editor), Fred Smoller and Roy Baker, (to discuss TIC follow up from the Association). Query luncheon attendees for possible future topics. Joe Quiros to assist with the RSVP list. The luncheon choices for March limited to Salads (Chicken Caesar or Cobb Salad).

Audit Committee: Stuart Fuller gave the books to Alf Lyle the committee chair. Alf in conjunction with John Gallie will conduct the audit of 2016 books.

Treasurers Report: Stuart Fuller passed out the GJAOC Director's Budget as of 31 January 2017. Phoenix Club contract is signed and deposit paid. Pins have been ordered and paid for.

Programs: No report. Position vacant.

Newsletter: Mike introduced Paul's SB-1292 report and the President's state of the Association speech. Mike to call HostGator to negotiate a better annual fee.

Correspondence: Joe Moreland's website comment was discussed. The comment was just a link to the recent Voice of OC Letter to the Editor by Glen Huntley, entitled: "Should Orange County's Grand Jury investigate itself". It was decided that no action need be taken.

Standing Committees:

Measure M: Bill Underwood and John Moohr met with Alice Rogan, OCTA/TOC liaison on 30 January 2017 to kick off this year's selection process. There are only two districts (2nd, & 3rd) that will have openings to fill. Bill passed out a 1 page summary of the process and due dates. Discussed were the need for a P.O. Box, recruitment of an administrative analyst to oversee the application process and the approximate costs for this service. Paul suggested utilizing the OCCU as a source. Bill will talk to the

manager Duane. John Moohr moved and Mike 2nd Bill's 3 point proposal. Motion passed. Interviews commence 1 May 2017.

Speakers Bureau: Sandy Duncan reported the committee has 4 active members and 3 inactive members. Her goal is to move from the old paper process to today's media communication process to attract the younger members of OC society. The committee to work with Kirk H. Nakamura, assistant presiding judge and chairman of the Grand Jury Recruitment and Selection Committee in OC Superior Court. This will be a long term endeavor.

Legislative: Paul reported that SB-1292 was tabled last legislative session and we are awaiting what the new session will bring forth.

Recommendation Implementation Review: Roy Baker recommended the name change in the Bylaw's to be accomplished in December's general session. Alf moved and Sandy 2nd the motion. Passed, 8-1. Alf's example of being stonewalled by the sitting Grand Jury on specifically the 28 school district report on asbestos abatement. Alf indicated that although the Asbestos Report required responses from the various School Boards (and should therefore have been agendaized during a school board meeting), many were responded to by a district superintendent or someone in the superintendent's office. The suspicion is that by strict adherence to the law, these responses were not valid and -no district that responded via a superintendent has met its response requirement. After exchanging emails with the current Foreperson, Alf continues to be concerned with this issue. Paul indicated that we must publish the problem and use the OC Register OpEd and the Voice of OC. Alf to call County Counsel for advice as to whether GJ required responses may be fulfilled in this way and be considered compliant with the law.

Membership: Helen reported that membership is currently at 150. San Vu passed in December and Helen corresponded with his family. Helen to print up new business cards for the Board. Membership Directory to be revised utilizing Staples printing or other sources. Dave Chapel volunteered to host the 2016-17 reception. Plenty of parking and the date TBD.

Old Business/New Business: None.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 1215. Moved by Mike and 2nd by Robin. Next meeting 2 March 2017 at the Phoenix Club starting at 1145.